SENATE BILL 2644
By Stevens

HOUSE BILL 2619

By Halford

AN ACT to amend Chapter 96 of the Private Acts of 1991; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the City of Medina, Tennessee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 96 of the Private Acts of 1991 and all other acts amendatory thereto is amended by deleting Section 6 and substituting the following:

SECTION 6. The City of Medina shall elect a Mayor and four (4) Aldermen. On the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year, a nonpartisan, at-large, general municipal election, open to all electors, shall be conducted by the county election commission.

On the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2016, the City of Medina shall elect two (2) Aldermen to fill the positions of the Aldermen whose terms are set to expire in 2016. The two (2) persons who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected to a term to end at the next meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen after the election that will be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020. On the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2018, the City of Medina shall elect two (2) Aldermen to fill the positions of the Aldermen whose terms are set to expire in 2018. The two (2) persons who receive the highest number of votes will be elected to a term that will end at the next meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen after the election that will be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2022.

On the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2016, the City of Medina shall elect a Mayor to fill the position of the Mayor whose term is set to expire in 2016.

The person receiving the highest number of votes for Mayor will be elected for a term to end after the election that will be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020.

Thereafter, elections shall be held every two (2) years to the end that the Aldermen shall serve four-year staggered terms and the Mayor shall serve a four-year term. Present incumbents in the positions of Mayor and Aldermen shall continue to serve for the terms to which they were elected and until such time as their successors are elected and qualified.

At each subsequent mayoral election, the candidate for Mayor having received the highest number of votes at an election shall be declared elected, and the two (2) candidates for Alderman having received the highest number of votes at each subsequent aldermanic election shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote, the incumbent Board shall decide which of the candidates shall serve.

The terms of office for the Mayor and for the Aldermen shall commence at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Any qualified voter who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who has been a resident of the City for at least one (1) year may be qualified as a candidate for the position of Mayor or Alderman.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Mayor and Alderman of the City of Medina. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the Mayor of the City of Medina and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.